UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS



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POLICY STATEMENT 1-03

From: Commanding Officer To: Distribution List

Subj: MEDICAL TAD FOR ACTIVE DUTY MARINES

- 1. <u>Purpose</u>. To establish guidelines for travel to and from medical appointments.
- 2. <u>Background</u>. Procedures are being established in an effort to reduce the cost of Medical TAD orders.

3. Policy.

- a. When a letter from medical is received by Battalion for medical appointments that require funds from the Battalion account, it will be given to the Battalion Adjutant for initial approval. The most cost effective way for the individual to travel to the medical appointment will then be determined. When available, government transportation will be utilized in all cases. If an individual chooses not to utilize available government transportation, the cost to take their POV will not be reimbursed. When directed to remain overnight, government lodging must be utilized unless a statement of non-availability is obtained.
- b. A military medical doctor will determine whether the Marine requires a non-medical attendant (NMA). If a NMA is required the most economically feasible travel arrangements for both the Marine and NMA will be determined. The Marine's health will be taken into consideration. If an NMA is not required, the Battalion will not pay for the NMA's travel. Marines will not be allowed to take spouses at cost to the Marine Corps without a medical doctor stating that an NMA is necessary for the health of the Marine.
- c. Point of contact for this is 2ndLt Verhegge at 639-5101/5102.

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